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WELCOME to the first issue of the *Annual Sheep and Goat Review*! First, I thank all participants from the sheep and goat industries for their continued support and cooperation – especially the producers who provide data for the annual *Sheep and Goats* surveys. Without their commitment and participation, this report would not be possible.

This publication is a compilation of related reports issued by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) in an effort to provide a complete source of statistics relevant to the sheep and goat industry.

Though many of the statistics in this publication can be accessed through our website on a monthly basis (www.nass.usda.gov/Publications), this Oklahoma Field Office summary will be issued each January following the release of the USDA-NASS annual *Sheep and Goats* report.

Please feel free to contact our office with any comments or questions you may have. I hope you find this information useful!

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OKLAHOMA AND U.S. INVENTORY

Oklahoma's sheep producers had 75,000 head of **all sheep and lambs** on hand January 1, 2010, down 6 percent from last year. The 2009 **lamb crop** was 45,000 head, down 8 percent from 2008. **Wool production** in 2009 was 150,000 pounds, down 32 percent from last year.

Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class, Oklahoma and United States, January 1, 2009-2010

Date	Oklahoma			United States		
	2009	2010	2010 as Percent of 2009	2009	2010	2010 as Percent of 2009
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent
All Sheep and Lambs	80	75	94	5,747	5,630	98
Breeding Sheep	63	59	94	4,247	4,190	99
Ewes 1 Year +	46	43	93	3,405	3,340	98
Rams 1 Year +	5	5	100	195	195	100
Replacement Lambs	12	11	92	646	655	101
Market Sheep and Lambs	17	16	94	1,500	1,440	96
Market Sheep 1 Year +	1	1	100	81	85	105
Market Lambs	16	15	94	1,419	1,355	95
Lambs Under 65 pounds	8	6	75	350	360	103
Lambs 65-84 pounds	3	4	133	170	172	101
Lambs 85-105 pounds	2	2	100	314	275	88
Lambs over 105 pounds	3	3	100	585	548	94

Lamb Crop, Oklahoma and United States 2008-2009

Date	Oklahoma			United States		
	2008	2009	2009 as Percent of 2008	2008	2009	2009 as Percent of 2008
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent
Lamb Crop¹	49	45	92	3,710	3,690	99

¹Lamb crop is defined as lambs born in the Eastern States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States.

The majority of Oklahoma's goats are meat-type. Initial goat estimates, which began in 2005, showed 73,000 meat goats. They peaked in 2008 when the meat-type inventory was measured at 115,000 head. The current level of 90,000 matches the 2005 level and is down 14 percent from a year ago.

Milk goats make up the bulk of the remaining total goats. In 2005, there were 9,000 head estimated with the high inventory of 10,000 reached in 2006. The 2010 inventory of 8,300 is up 300 head from the level maintained since 2007.

Goats: Number by Class, Oklahoma and United States, 2009-2010

Date	Oklahoma			United States		
	2009	2010	2010 as Percent of 2009	2009	2010	2010 as Percent of 2009
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent
Angora	1.0	(1)		185	150	81
Milk	8.0	8.3	104	335	355	106
Meat	105.0	90.0	86	2,549	2,538	100

¹ Oklahoma is included in Other States for 2010.

Source: USDA-NASS January *Sheep and Goat* report

As of July 1, 2009, all sheep and lambs in the U.S. and Canada combined totaled 8.11 million head.

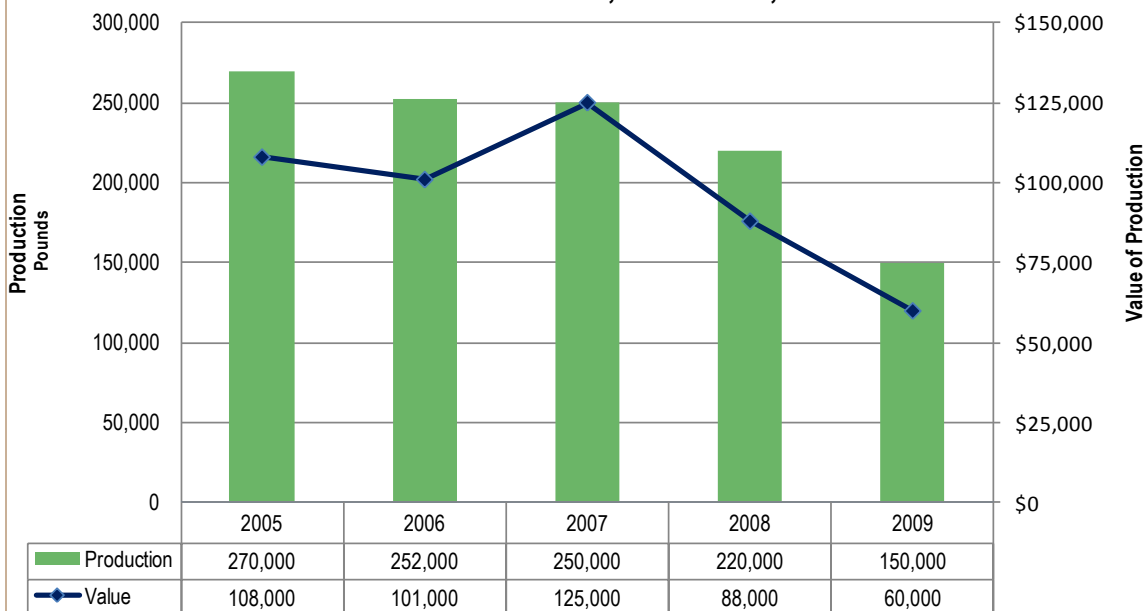
The U.S. peak sheep inventory of 51.1 million head was reached in 1884. The 2009 count was 4.2 million head.

Producers can use the information to determine production and marketing strategies and to plan purchases and capital investments.

WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE

December 2009 wool production for Oklahoma numbered 150,000 pounds, down 31 percent from the previous year.

Wool Production and Value, Oklahoma, 2005-2009

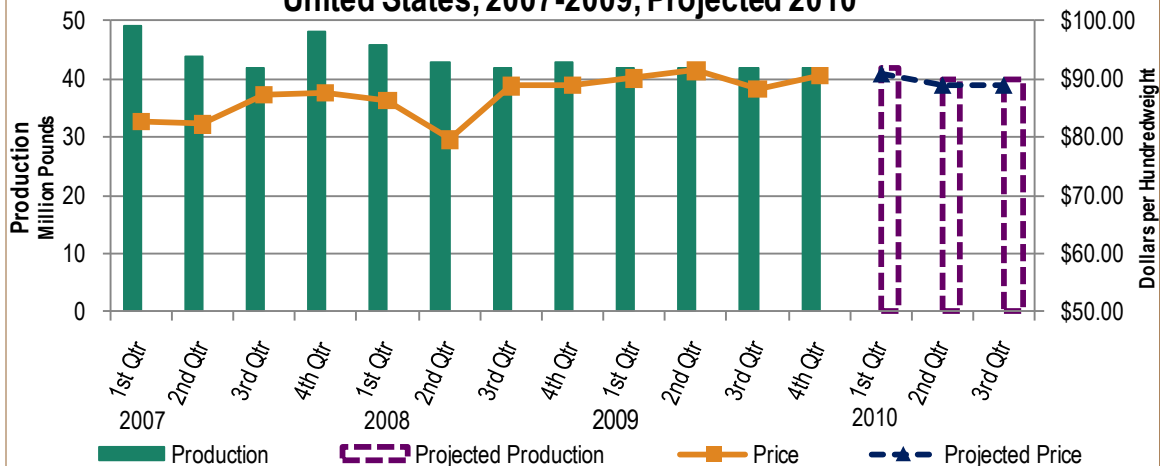


Data Source: USDA-WAOB monthly *World Agriculture Supply and Demand Estimates* report

LAMB PRODUCTION AND PRICE OUTLOOK

Lower than normal demand for lamb has affected lamb prices and as a result, producers are making decisions to liquidate their lamb operations.

Lamb Production and Price by Quarter, United States, 2007-2009, Projected 2010

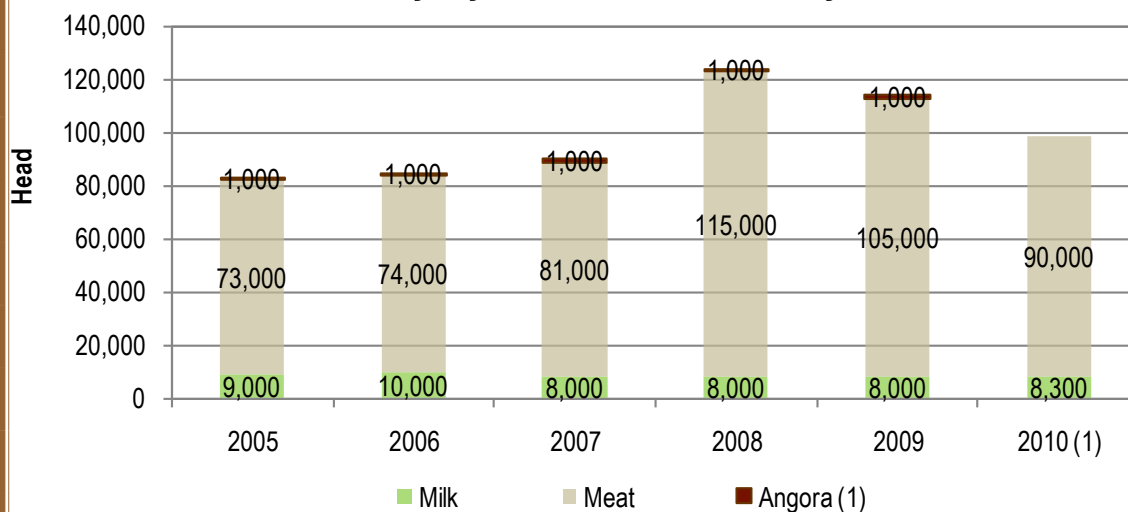


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INVENTORY

In 2008, meat-goat inventory peaked and reached 115,000 head. Current inventory matches inventory measured in 2005, however, is down 14 percent from the previous year.

Goat Inventory, by Class, Oklahoma, July 1, 2005-2010



¹ For 2010, the Oklahoma estimate for Angora not published individually, but included in Other States on National release.

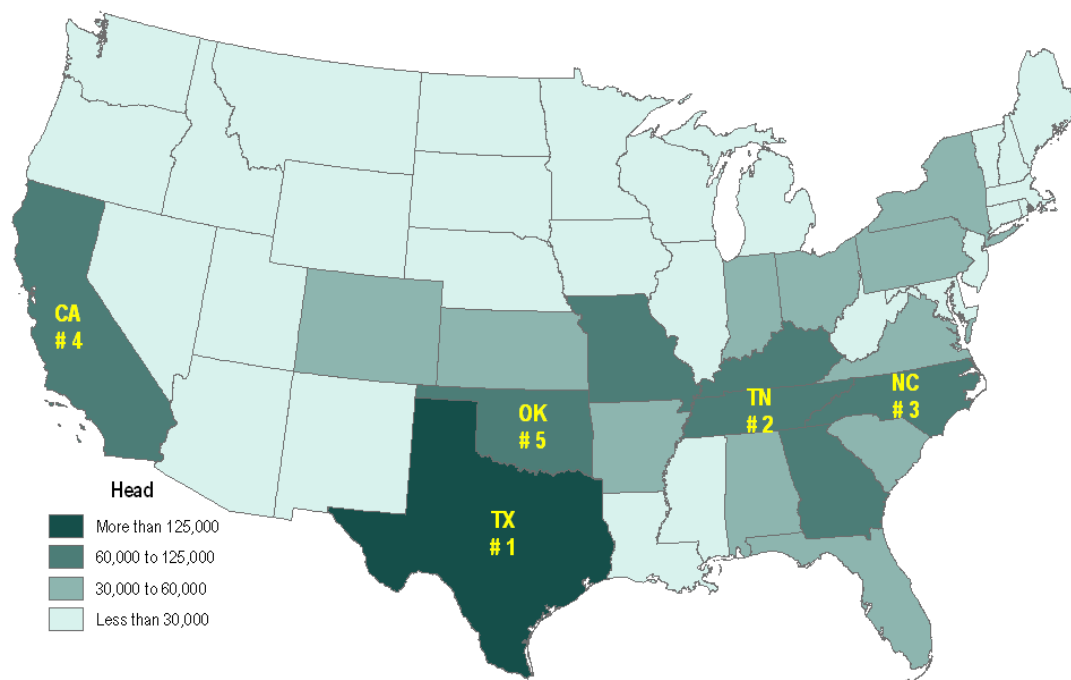
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In Oklahoma, the January 1, 2010 goat inventory showed 90,000 Meat-type, and 8,300 Milk-type goats.

Oklahoma ranked 5th in goat inventory for the United States in 2010.

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Meat and Other Goats, Top 5, United States, January 1, 2010



Data Source: January Sheep and Goats report

Timely estimates of sheep and goat inventory allow input suppliers, packers and government to evaluate the expected slaughter volume for future months and to determine potential supplies for export.

To OKLAHOMA SHEEP AND GOAT PRODUCERS: This report contains results collected from the January Sheep and Goat survey. Your operation, large or small, represents Oklahoma agriculture. We appreciate your assistance in providing timely and accurate data. Thank you for your support.

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- Crop Progress and Conditions
- Livestock Reports
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